UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENERPLUS RESOURCES (USA) CORPORATION TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF SECTION 14, T24N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, SAID WELL TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER NO. 403-2006

Docket No. 460-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 403-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENERPLUS RESOURCES (USA) CORPORATION TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3 AND 10, T24N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, SAID WELL TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER NO. 404-2006

Docket No. 461-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Enerplus Resources (USA) Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 404-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF FIDELITY EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY TO ENLARGE CX FIELD TO INCLUDE ALL OF SECTION 13, T9S-R40E, BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA. SAID SECTION 13 IS INCLUDED IN APPLICANT'S DECKER MINE-EAST PROJECT PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN FILED WITH THE BOARD.

ORDER NO. 405-2006

Docket No. 462-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. CX Field is delineated for the production of gas from coal beds within the Fort Union Formation by Board Orders 108-1997 and 174-2000.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the CX Field is enlarged to include all of Section 13, T9S-R40E, Big Horn County, Montana, with said Section 13 to be included in applicant's Decker Mine-East Project Plan of Development.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 405-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H Perrigo Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 406-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF FIDELITY EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY TO APPROVE ITS DECKER MINE-EAST PROJECT PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT FOR COAL BED NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LANDS IN BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA:

T9S-R40E

SECTION 13: ALL SECTION 24: NE¹/₄

T9S-R41E

SECTION 7: LOTS 5, 6, 7, 8, E½W½, E½

SECTION 8: ALL SECTION 17: ALL

SECTION 17: ALL
SECTION 18: LOTS 5, 6, 7, 8, E½W½, E½
SECTION 19: LOTS 5, 6, E½NW¼, NE¼
APPLICANT PROPOSES TO DRILL AND
DEVELOP THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED LANDS
FOR COAL BED NATURAL GAS WITH WELL
DENSITIES GREATER THAN ONE WELL PER
640 ACRES, ACCORDING TO RULES
ESTABLISHED FOR CX FIELD. THE LANDS
INCLUDED IN THIS APPLICATION ARE
SUBJECT TO BOARD ORDER 99-99 AND THE
RECORD OF DECISION DATED MARCH 26, 2003.
PRIOR TO HEARING, APPLICANT WILL SUBMIT
ITS DECKER MINE –EAST PROJECT PLAN OF
DEVELOPMENT FOR THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED
LANDS TO BOARD STAFF.

Docket No. 463-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

BOARD ORDER NO. 406-2006

- 2. A letter from Eugene LittleCoyote, President of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, was read into the record by the Chairman. The Tribe also submitted a comment sheet listing concerns regarding air quality; effluent discharge; health of tribal members, wildlife and plants on the Reservation; and the need for cultural, ethnographic and historical inventories from a tribal perspective. Representatives from Fidelity Exploration & Production Company testifying on behalf of the application assured Board members they would work with the Tribe to address its concerns.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Fidelity Exploration & Production Company is granted as applied for, contingent upon completion of an environmental assessment.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
Linda Nelson, Chairman	
Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman	
Don Bradshaw, Board Member	
Jack King, Board Member	
Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
Wayne Smith, Board Member	
Joan Stahl, Board Member	

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

ATTEST:
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

ORDER NO. 407-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF MCR, LLC TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE N½ OF SECTION 8, T36N-R2E, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS AND ASSOCIATED LIQUID HYDROCARBONS FROM THE SAWTOOTH AND MADISON FORMATIONS. (WEST BUTTE FIELD)

Docket No. 464-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Wayne Smith recused himself and took no further part in the proceedings on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the spacing unit comprised of the N½ of Section 8, T36N-R2E, Toole County, Montana, are hereby pooled for production of natural gas and associated liquid hydrocarbons from the Sawtooth and Madison Formations.

BOARD ORDER NO. 407-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 408-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF MOUNTAIN VIEW ENERGY, LTD. TO CLARIFY, OR AMEND IF NECESSARY, THE RED CREEK FIELD RULES FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL FROM THE NON-UNITIZED PORTIONS OF THE SUNBURST, CUT BANK AND MADISON FORMATIONS, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH WELL BE LOCATED NOT LESS THEN 330 FEET FROM ANY LEGAL SUBDIVISION LINE AND NOT LESS THAN 650 FEET FROM EVERY OTHER PRODUCIBLE WELL PRODUCING FROM THE SAME RESERVOIR (EXCEPT THAT A FIVE SPOT LOCATION ON A 40-ACRE PARCEL WILL BE PERMITTED), AND THAT EXISTING WELLS NOT CONFORMING TO SAID PATTERN BE AUTHORIZED AS EXCEPTIONS.

Docket No. 465-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Red Creek Field rules are clarified to recognize the existence of the Cut Bank and Madison Formation Unit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that spacing and well location requirements for Cut Bank and Madison Formation wells within the unitized area are waived except that future wells must be located no closer than 330 feet to the exterior boundaries of said unit.

IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Sunburst Sandstone may be developed on the basis of 40-acre spacing units with a 330-foot setback from spacing unit boundaries and 650 feet between wells producing from the same formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 408-2006

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a five-spot location on a 40-acre parcel is permitted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that existing wells not in compliance with the requirements set forth above are authorized as exceptions to this Order.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 409-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF YELLOWSTONE PETROLEUMS, INC. TO CONVERT THE STATE #14-16 WELL (API # 25-073-21469) IN BRADY FIELD IN THE E½SE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 16, T27N-R2W, PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA, TO A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL TO INJECT PRODUCED WATER INTO THE SUNBURST FORMATION FROM APPLICANT'S STATE BATTERY WELLS.

Docket No. 466-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Yellowstone Petroleums, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 409-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 410-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CROFT PETROLEUM CO. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF LOTS 1 & 2, S½NE¼, SE¼ (E½) OF SECTION 2, T36N-R6W, GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA, WHICH LIES WITHIN THE CUT BANK FIELD, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF NATURAL GAS FROM ALL FORMATIONS FROM THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH TO THE BASE OF THE MISSISSIPPIAN-MADISON FORMATION, AND TO DRILL A WELL ON SAID LOT 2 AT AN APPROXIMATE LOCATION 647' FNL AND 1650' FEL OF SAID SECTION 2 TO TEST THE SUNBURST FORMATION.

Docket No. 467-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
 - 2. A letter of support from Branch Oil & Gas was read into the record by the Chairman.
- 3. At the hearing, applicant stated the actual well location is 675' FNL and 1650' FEL of Section 2, T36N-R6W, Glacier County, Montana.
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Lots 1 & 2, the S½NE¼, and the SE¼ (E½) of Section 2, T36N-R6W, Glacier County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of natural gas from all formations from the surface of the earth to the base of the Madison Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill a gas test well at a location 675' FNL and 1650' FEL of said Section 2, with a 75-foot topographic tolerance.

BOARD ORDER NO. 410-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 411-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL COMPANY TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 16 AND 21, T25N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL THEREON AT ANY LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT.

Docket No. 470-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Marathon Oil Company is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an application for permanent spacing be made within 90 days of successful completion of the well drilled in said temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 411-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL COMPANY TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 20 AND 29, T26N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER NO. 412-2006

Docket No. 471-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Marathon Oil Company is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an application for permanent spacing be made within 90 days of successful completion of the well drilled in said temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 412-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 21 AND 28, T23N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202 (2), M.C.A. WITH RESPECT TO THE CUNDIFF #21X-28 WELL.

ORDER NO. 413-2006

Docket No. 472-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 21 and 28, T23N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202 (2), M.C.A. with respect to the Cundiff #21X-28 well are hereby authorized.

BOARD ORDER NO. 413-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF NOBLE ENERGY, INC. TO DESIGNATE SECTION 7, T37N-R31E, EAST LORING FIELD, PHILLIPS COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR PRODUCTION OF LOWER COLORADO GROUP NATURAL GAS, AND TO APPROVE THE DRILLING AND PRODUCTION OF FOUR WELLS WITHIN AND UPON SAID SPACING UNIT.

ORDER NO. 414-2006

Docket No. 473-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 7, T37N-R31E, East Loring Field, Phillips County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for the production of natural gas from the Bowdoin, Greenhorn and Phillips Formations.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill and produce four wells within said spacing unit, with said wells to be located no closer than 660 feet to the exterior boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 414-2006

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 415-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF NOBLE ENERGY, INC. TO AMEND BOARD ORDERS 60-82 AND 39-97 (EAST LORING FIELD) WITH REGARD TO SECTION 7, T37N-R31E, PHILLIPS COUNTY, MONTANA, TO ALLOW COMMINGLING OF PRODUCTION FROM THE NIOBRARA, BOWDOIN, GREENHORN AND PHILLIPS FORMATIONS IN THE WELLS APPLICANT OPERATES IN SAID SECTION 7.

Docket No. 474-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Orders 60-82 and 39-97 (East Loring Field) are amended with regard to Section 7, T37N-R31E, Phillips County, Montana, to include the Niobrara Formation in the spacing unit comprised of all of said Section 7 and to allow commingling of production from the Niobrara, Bowdoin, Greenhorn and Phillips Formations.

BOARD ORDER NO. 415-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF NOBLE ENERGY, INC. TO AMEND BOARD ORDERS 60-82 AND 39-97 (EAST LORING FIELD) WITH REGARD TO SECTION 8, T37N-R31E, PHILLIPS COUNTY, MONTANA, TO ALLOW COMMINGLING OF PRODUCTION FROM THE NIOBRARA, BOWDOIN, GREENHORN AND PHILLIPS FORMATIONS IN THE WELLS APPLICANT OPERATES IN SAID SECTION 8.

ORDER NO. 416-2006

Docket No. 475-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Orders 60-82 and 39-97 (East Loring Field) are amended with regard to Section 8, T37N-R31E, Phillips County, Montana, to include the Niobrara Formation in the spacing unit comprised of all of said Section 8 and to allow commingling of production from the Niobrara, Bowdoin, Greenhorn and Phillips Formations.

BOARD ORDER NO. 416-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF STONE ENERGY CORPORATION TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER NO. 417-2006

Docket No. 476-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Stone Energy Corporation is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an application for permanent spacing be made within 90 days of successful completion of the well drilled under this Order.

BOARD ORDER NO. 417-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E½ OF SECTION 14 AND THE W½ OF SECTION 13, T34N-R16E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE CUNNINGHAM #14-9-34-16B WELL.

ORDER NO. 418-2006

Docket No. 477-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E½ of Section 14 and the W½ of Section 13, T34N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, are designated a permanent spacing unit for production from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the Cunningham #14-9-34-16B well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 418-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE NE¹/₄ OF SECTION 11 AND THE NW¹/₄ OF SECTION 12, T34N-R16E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE THIEL #11-8-34-16D WELL.

ORDER NO. 419-2006

Docket No. 478-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the NE¼ of Section 11 and the NW¼ of Section 12, T34N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, are designated a permanent spacing unit for production from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the Thiel #11-8-34-16D well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 419-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nalaan Chairman
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Геггі Н. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	-

ORDER NO. 420-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE SE¼ OF SECTION 20, THE SW¼ OF SECTION 21, THE NW¼ OF SECTION 28, AND THE NE¼ OF SECTION 29, T36N-R15E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE BUD-FEDERAL #21-13-36-15C WELL.

Docket No. 479-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the SE¼ of Section 20, the SW¼ of Section 21, the NW¼ of Section 28, and the NE¼ of Section 29, T36N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, are designated a permanent spacing unit for production from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the Bud-Federal #21-13-36-15C well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 393-2005 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 420-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

n, Chairman
g, Vice-Chairman
w, Board Member
pard Member
ell, Board Member
n, Board Member
Soard Member

ORDER NO. 421-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 2 AND THE N½ OF SECTION 11, T36N-R14E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE NIOBRARA FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE VERPLOEGEN #11-2-36-14B WELL.

Docket No. 480-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the $S\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 2 and the $N\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 11, T36N-R14E, Hill County, Montana, are designated a permanent spacing unit for production from the Niobrara Formation through the wellbore of the Verploegen #11-2-36-14B well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 421-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 422-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 10, T34N-R16E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE AND NIOBRARA FORMATIONS (NON-COMMINGLED) THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE THIEL #10-14-34-16 WELL.

Docket No. 481-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the S½ of Section 10, T34N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production from the Eagle and Niobrara Formation (non-commingled) through the wellbore of the Thiel #10-14-34-16 well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 422-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Malana Chairman
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 11 AND THE N½ OF SECTION 14, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE DUSEK-FEDERAL #14-3-36-15C WELL.

ORDER NO. 423-2006

Docket No. 482-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the $S\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 11 and the $N\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 14, T36N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of gas from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the Dusek-Federal #14-3-36-15C well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 423-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E½ OF SECTION 10 AND THE W½ OF SECTION 11, T34N-R16E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE THIEL #10-9-34-16B WELL.

ORDER NO. 424-2006

Docket No. 483-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E½ of Section 10 and the W½ of Section 11, T34N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of gas from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the Thiel #10-9-34-16B well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 424-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
TTEST:	
Ferri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	<u> </u>

ORDER NO. 425-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELL IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E½ OF SECTION 10 AND THE W½ OF SECTION 11, T34N-R16E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, AT A LOCATION 2460' FNL AND 220' FWL OF SAID SECTION 11, WITH A 200-FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC TOLERANCE. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 248-2005, WHICH CREATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT ON THOSE SAME LANDS, BE VACATED.

Docket No. 484-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant was authorized to drill a well at a location 2460' FNL and 220' FWL of Section 10 under Board Order 248-2005, which established a temporary spacing unit comprised of the E½ of Section 10 and the W½ of Section 11, T34N-R16E, Hill County, Montana. Following the issuance of that order, applicant drilled and completed an Eagle Formation gas well, the Thiel 10-9-34-16B well, and the same lands were designated a permanent spacing unit for the production of gas from the Eagle Formation by Board Order 424-2006.
- 3. Applicant is requesting that Board Order 248-2005 be vacated and that the Thiel 11-5-34-16C well be considered an additional well in the permanent spacing unit established under Board Order 424-2006.
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Klabzuba Oil & Gas, Inc. is authorized to drill an increased density well in the permanent spacing unit comprised of the E½ of Section 10 and the W½ of Section 11, T34N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, at a location 2460' FNL and 220' FWL of said Section 11, with a 200-foot topographic tolerance.

BOARD ORDER NO. 425-2006

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 248-2005 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF NANCE PETROLEUM CORPORATION TO POOL ALL INTERESTS, ON THE BASIS OF SURFACE ACREAGE, IN THE S½ OF SECTION 8, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR BAKKEN FORMATION PRODUCTION FROM THE SUNWALL 12-8H WELL.

ORDER NO. 426-2006

Docket No. 485-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Nance Petroleum Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 426-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 427-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR THE BAKKEN FORMATION COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 2, T25N-R54E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S JEAN PIERRE 1-2H WELL AS THE AUTHORIZED WELL FOR SAID PERMANENT SPACING UNIT.

Docket No. 487-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Section 2, T25N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for the production of oil and associated gas from the Bakken Formation and that applicant's Jean Pierre 1-2H well is the authorized well for said spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 427-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR THE BAKKEN FORMATION COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T26N-R54E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S NOLA 1-22H WELL AS THE AUTHORIZED WELL FOR SAID PERMANENT SPACING UNIT.

ORDER NO. 428-2006

Docket No. 489-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 15 and 22, T26N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, is designated as permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated gas from the Bakken Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's Nola #1-22H well is the authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 428-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 429-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL BAKKEN FORMATION DUAL LATERAL HORIZONTAL WELL IN THE SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T24N-R54E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH SUCH LATERALS TO BE LOCATED NO CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF SAID SPACING UNIT AS AN AMENDMENT TO BOARD ORDERS 123-2003 AND 77-2004.

Docket No. 490-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 429-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 430-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL BAKKEN FORMATION DUAL LATERAL HORIZONTAL WELL IN THE SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T26N-R54E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH SUCH LATERALS TO BE LOCATED NO CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF SAID SPACING UNIT.

Docket No. 491-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 430-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 431-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PINNACLE GAS RESOURCES, INC. TO CONVERT THE PORTER 06SA-25-0841 WELL (API # 25-003-22156) LOCATED IN THE SENW OF SECTION 25, T8S-R41E, DIETZ FIELD, BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA, TO A CLASS II INJECTION WELL TO DISPOSE OF PRODUCED COAL BED NATURAL GAS WATER INTO THE ANDERSON COAL (ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE DIETZ 1) AT APPROXIMATELY 430 TO 447 FEET BELOW SURFACE LEVEL.

Docket No. 493-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. This application was removed from the Default Docket at the request of Board Member Don Bradshaw who wanted to hear testimony regarding injection of coal bed natural gas water.
- 3. Mr. Dan Arthur, a representative of the applicant, said Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc. will report back to the Board after injection begins
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 431-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PINNACLE GAS RESOURCES, INC. TO CONVERT THE LOTT 09-SA-27-0841 WELL (API # 25-003-22174) LOCATED IN THE NESE OF SECTION 27, T8S-R41E, DIETZ FIELD, BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA, TO A CLASS II INJECTION WELL TO DISPOSE OF PRODUCED COAL BED NATURAL GAS WATER INTO THE ANDERSON COAL (ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE DIETZ 1) APPROXIMATELY 385 TO 397 FEET BELOW SURFACE LEVEL.

ORDER NO. 432-2006

Docket No. 494-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. This application was removed from the Default Docket at the request of Board Member Don Bradshaw who wanted to hear testimony regarding injection of coal bed natural gas water.
- 3. Mr. Dan Arthur, a representative of the applicant, said Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc. will report back to the Board after injection begins
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 432-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Torri H. Dorrigo, Evacutiva Socratory	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 433-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PINNACLE GAS RESOURCES, INC. TO CONVERT THE PORTER 01-SA-26-0841 WELL (API # 25-003-22165) LOCATED IN THE NENE OF SECTION 26, T8S-R41E, DIETZ FIELD, BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA, TO A CLASS II INJECTION WELL TO DISPOSE OF PRODUCED COAL BED NATURAL GAS WATER INTO THE ANDERSON COAL (ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE DIETZ 1) APPROXIMATELY 392 TO 405 FEET BELOW SURFACE LEVEL.

Docket No. 495-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. This application was removed from the Default Docket at the request of Board Member Don Bradshaw who wanted to hear testimony regarding injection of coal bed natural gas water.
- 3. Mr. Dan Arthur, a representative of the applicant, said Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc. will report back to the Board after injection begins
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 433-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 434-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO DRILL AN EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELL IN SECTION 32, T32N-R17E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, SAID WELL TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SECTION 32 BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 700 FEET FSL OF SAID SECTION 32 AND 990 FEET FROM THE REMAINING BOUNDARIES, AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDER 10-70. (TIGER RIDGE FIELD)

Docket No. 496-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 434-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
A TTECT.	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 435-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELL IN SECTION 3, T31N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, SAID WELL TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SECTION 3 BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 600 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS 13-75 AND 24-89. (TIGER RIDGE FIELD)

Docket No. 497-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 435-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
A TTECT.	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 436-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. FOR AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702 TO DRILL UP TO FOUR ADDITIONAL EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELLS IN SECTION 16, T27N-R17E, CHOUTEAU COUNTY, MONTANA, ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SECTION 16 BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF; AND TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SECTION 16 BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 500 FEET FSL AND 660 FEET FROM THE REMAINING BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

Docket No. 498-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 436-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 437-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE N½ OF SECTION 27, T27N-R17E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS 26-74 AND 137-2003 (BULLWACKER FIELD).

Docket No. 499-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 437-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELL (THE HENDERSON #27-10-27-17) ANYWHERE WITHIN THE S½ OF SECTION 27, T27N-R17E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS 26-74 AND 160-2003. (BULLWACKER FIELD)

ORDER NO. 438-2006

Dockets No. 500, 501, 502 and 503-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The S½ of Section 27, T27N-R17E, Blaine County, Montana, is a spacing unit within Bullwacker Field as established by Board Order 26-1974. Board Order 160-2003 authorized the drilling of one additional Eagle Formation gas well in the spacing unit. Applicant has requested authority to drill additional wells in the spacing unit in Dockets 500 through 503-2006.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Orders 26-1974 and 160-2003 are amended to allow up to six (6) Eagle Formation gas wells in the permanent spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 27, T27N-R17E, Blaine County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said wells be located as follows:

- 1. The existing gas well located 1379' FSL and 578' FWL of said Section 27.
- 2. One additional well authorized by Board Order 160-2003 to be located anywhere in the spacing unit but no closer than 630 feet to the exterior boundaries thereof.
- 3. Three additional wells (Dockets 500, 502 and 503-2006) to be located no closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries.
- 4. One well (Docket 501-2006) to be located no closer than 500 feet to the spacing unit boundaries.

BOARD ORDER NO. 438-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½S½ OF SECTION 6 AND THE N½N½ OF SECTION 7, T27N-R19E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A GAS WELL (THE US DIR #7-1-27-19) WITH A BOTTOMHOLE LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS 45-76 AND 65-85. (SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN FIELD)

ORDER NO. 439-2006

Docket No. 504-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 439-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
EST:	

ORDER NO. 440-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF
DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.
TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT
COMPRISED OF THE SE¼ OF SECTION 4, THE
SW¼ OF SECTION 3, THE NE¼ OF SECTION 9
AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 10, T26N-R20E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A GAS
WELL (THE US DIR #4-9-26-20) WITH A
BOTTOMHOLE LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN
660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID
TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT AS AN EXCEPTION
TO BOARD ORDER 45-76. (SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN
FIELD)

Docket No. 505-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 440-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	Linda Nelson, Chairman	
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman	
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Wayne Smith, Board Member	
	Joan Stahl, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

ORDER NO. 441-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½S½ OF SECTION 27 AND THE N½N½ OF SECTION 34, T32N-R17E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A GAS WELL (THE DAVEY #27-15-32-17) ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDER 10-70. (TIGER RIDGE FIELD)

Docket No. 506-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 441-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 442-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 16, T25N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE STATE #16-07-25-18 WELL.

Docket No. 507-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 16, T25N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of gas from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the State #16-07-25-18 well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 442-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE SW¼ OF SECTION 29 AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 32, T25N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE US #32-03-25-18 WELL.

ORDER NO. 443-2006

Docket No. 508-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the SW¼ of Section 29 and the NW¼ of Section 32, T25N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of gas from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the US #32-03-25-18 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 443-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E½SE¼ OF SECTION 1, T27N-R18E, AND THE W½SW¼ OF SECTION 6, T27N-R19E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF GAS FROM THE EAGLE FORMATION THROUGH THE WELLBORE OF THE US DIR #1-9-27-18 WELL. (SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN FIELD)

ORDER NO. 444-2006

Docket No. 509-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the E½SE¼ of Section 1, T27N-R18E, and the W½SW¼ of Section 6, T27N-R19E, Blaine County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of gas from the Eagle Formation through the wellbore of the US DIR #1-9-27-18 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 444-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF FOREST OIL CORPORATION TO DRILL AN OIL AND GAS WELL TO THE MADISON GROUP IN SECTION 34, T31N-R58E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, SAID WELL TO BE LOCATED 785' FEL AND 2575' FSL OF SAID SECTION 34 WITH A 50-FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDER 147-2006 (NORTH ANVIL FIELD).

ORDER NO. 445-2006

Docket No. 510-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. A protest letter from mineral owner Larry Ostby was received. Mr. Ostby was concerned about the well location. Mr. Ostby's concern was addressed by applicant prior to hearing and the application remained on the Default Docket.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Forest Oil Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 445-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF MAIN ENERGY, INC. TO DESIGNATE A FIELD AND CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE N½ OF SECTION 26, T36N-R54E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE RED RIVER FORMATION.

ORDER NO. 446-2006

Docket No. 511-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the $N\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 26, T36N-R54E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Red River Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 446-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Linda Neison, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 447-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PTARMIGAN LANDS LP TO DRILL ITS PROPOSED DOVER 8-2 GAS TEST WELL IN SECTION 2, T1N-R25E, YELLOWSTONE COUNTY, MONTANA, AT AN APPROXIMATE LOCATION 494' FEL AND 1312' FNL OF SAID SECTION 2 AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT ANY PROTESTS TO THIS APPLICATION BE FILED WITH THE BOARD AT LEAST FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO HEARING. IF SAID WELL IS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED, APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF FIRST PRODUCTION.

Docket No. 512-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Ptarmigan Lands LP is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 447-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 448-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PTARMIGAN LANDS LP TO DRILL ITS PROPOSED BAR DIAMOND 2-21 GAS TEST WELL IN SECTION 21, T2N-R25E, YELLOWSTONE COUNTY, MONTANA, AT AN APPROXIMATE LOCATION 268' FNL AND 2300' FEL OF SAID SECTION 21 AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT ANY PROTESTS TO THIS APPLICATION BE FILED WITH THE BOARD AT LEAST FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO HEARING. IF SAID WELL IS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED, APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF FIRST PRODUCTION.

Docket No. 513-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Ptarmigan Lands LP is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 448-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 449-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WAVE USA, INC. TO CREATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR THE SUNBURST A FORMATION COMPRISED OF THE SW1/4SW1/4 OF SECTION 24, T37N-R2E, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO DESIGNATE APPLICANT'S J. FEY 13-24 WELL AS THE AUTHORIZED WELL FOR SAID PERMANENT SPACING UNIT. APPLICANT STATES THAT 75 PERCENT OF THE OIL FROM THIS WELL WILL BE ATTRIBUTED TO THE SPACING UNIT AND 25 PERCENT OF THE OIL FROM THIS WELL WILL BE SHARED WITH THE UNIT IN SECTION 23 TO PROTECT THE CORRELATIVE RIGHTS OF THE OWNERS IN THAT UNIT, WITH THE 25 PERCENT CONTRIBUTING ITS PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF DRILLING, COMPLETION AND OPERATING COSTS OF THE J. FEY 13-24 WELL.

Docket No. 514-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Wayne Smith recused himself and took no further part in the proceedings on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Attorney Richard Beatty, representing MCR, LLC; and Pascual Laborda of the Bureau of Land Management appeared in person to protest the proposed allocation included in the application. Both parties testified and presented exhibits. The Board did not approve the allocation proposed in the application.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the SW¹/₄SW¹/₄ of Section 24, T37N-R2E, Toole County, Montana is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated gas from the "A" zone of the Sunburst Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 449-2006

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's J. Fey 13-24 well in said Section 24 is the authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all primary recovery production from the J. Fey 13-24 well will be attributed 50 percent to the spacing unit and 50 percent to the Fred & George Creek Sunburst "A" Sand Unit in Section 23, T37N-R2E, Toole County, Montana.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	Linda Nelson, Chairman	
	Eliida Ivelson, Chamman	
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman	
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Joan Stahl, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

ORDER NO. 450-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF COMPASS ENERGY, INC. TO CREATE 160-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNITS IN SECTIONS 19 AND 30, T29N-R5W, PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA; TO DRILL, COMPLETE AND PRODUCE GAS FROM ALL ZONES FROM THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH TO THE TOP OF THE KOOTENAI FORMATION, SAID WELLS TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN THE 160-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNITS BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF: AND TO COMMINGLE AND PRODUCE SAID GAS FROM THE SAME STRING OF CASING IN ANY WELL CAPABLE OF PRODUCTION FROM MULTIPLE ZONES. APPLICANT WILL FILE FOR PERMANENT SPACING OF SECTIONS 19 AND 30 WITHIN 90 DAYS OF PRODUCTION. APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT ANY PROTESTS TO THIS APPLICATION BE FILED WITH THE BOARD AT LEAST FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO HEARING.

Docket No. 515-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Attorney Richard Beatty appeared on behalf of AltaMont Oil & Gas Inc. to protest the application due to inadequate notice.
- 3. Mr. John (Chip) Miller submitted a protest letter, which was read into the record by the Chairman, claiming he had not been properly informed of the hearing on this matter.
- 4. Mr. Brad Akelstad, attorney for applicant, presented a Certificate of Mailing affidavit dated December 6, 2006 and a copy of the November 21, 2006 letter sent to all owners of record. Both Mr. Miller and Mr. Patrick Montalban, a principal in AltaMont Oil & Gas Inc. were shown as being sent notice. The Board determined notice was adequate.

BOARD ORDER NO. 450-2006

5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that 160-acre temporary spacing units are established for Sections 19 and 30, T29N-R5W, Pondera County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill, complete and produce gas from all zones from the surface of the earth to the top of the Kootenai Formation, said wells to be located anywhere within the 160-acre temporary spacing units authorized by this Order, but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to commingle and produce said gas from the same string of casing in any well capable of production from multiple zones.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of production.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

CF THE STATE OF MONTANA Linda Nelson, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman Don Bradshaw, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Elaine Mitchell, Board Member Wayne Smith, Board Member Joan Stahl, Board Member ATTEST:

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. TO CERTIFY THE FOLLOWING WELLS FOR THE SEVERANCE TAX REDUCTION AVAILABLE TO HORIZONTAL RE-ENTRIES THROUGH THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

ORDER NO. 451-2006

API NUMBER	WELL NAME	LOCATION	COMPLETION DATE
25-025-21368	PNL 11-19CH	SEC 19, T8N-R60E	FEBRUARY 2006
25-109-05042	SP 44-15AH	SEC 15, T11N-R57E	MARCH 2006

Docket No. 516-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Encore Operating, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 451-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF BOWERS OIL & GAS, INC. TO EXPAND THE SOUTH PLEVNA GAS FIELD BOUNDARIES TO INCLUDE THE S½ OF SECTION 9, THE W½ OF SECTION 10 AND ALL OF SECTION 5, T4N-R61E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH THE SPACING FOR THESE LANDS TO BE ONE WELL PER QUARTER SECTION, WITH WELLS TO BE LOCATED NO CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES WITH A 150-FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC TOLERANCE.

ORDER NO. 452-2006

Docket No. 378-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the boundaries of the South Plevna Gas Field are expanded to include the S½ of Section 9, the W½ of Section 10 and all of Section 5, T4N-R61E, Fallon County, Montana, with the spacing for these lands to be one well per quarter section, with wells to be located no closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 150-foot topographic tolerance.

BOARD ORDER NO. 452-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 453-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T27N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL WELL IN THE MADISON GROUP, SAID WELL TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

Docket No. 385-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Sections 35 and 36, T27N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, are designated as a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal well in the Madison Group, said well to be located anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an application for permanent spacing be made within 90 days of successful completion of the well drilled under this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 453-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC. TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 34, T24N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN FORMATION. ORDER NO. 454-2006

Docket No. 386-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 34, T24N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 454-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 455-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC. TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 24, T24N-R52E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN FORMATION.

Docket No. 387-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 24, T24N-R52E, Richland County, Montana, is delineated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 455-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 456-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC. TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 2, T23N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN FORMATION.

Docket No. 388-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 2, T23N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, is delineated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 456-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
TTEST:	
Cerri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 457-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC. TO CREATE A FIELD AND PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 32, T26N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN FORMATION.

Docket No. 389-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that all of Section 32, T26N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, is delineated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 457-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ΓΤΕST:	
Cerri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 458-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL A RED RIVER FORMATION TEST WELL IN A 320-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE SE1/4 OF SECTION 4 AND THE NE¼ OF SECTION 9, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AT A LOCATION 200' FSL AND 1000' FEL OF SAID SECTION 4 WITH A 75-FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC TOLERANCE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT OVERLAPS THE 320-ACRE STATEWIDE SPACING UNIT FOR THE TILLER 1-9 WELL CONSISTING OF THE NE¼ OF SECTION 9 AND THE NW1/4 OF SECTION 10, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, AND SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED TEST WELL.

Docket No. 405-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. A protest letter from James Kochick, a senior geological specialist with Kerr McGee, was read into the record by the Chairman. The application was removed from the Default Docket and a hearing was held. Kerr McGee operates a producing Red River well in the NE ¼ of said Section 9 and feels an additional well is unnecessary and will be uneconomic. The Board granted the application as applied for.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Continental Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill a Red River Formation test well in a 320-acre temporary spacing unit comprised of the SE¼ of Section 4 and the NE¼ of Section 9, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, at a location 200' FSL and 1000' FEL of said Section 4 with a 75-foot topographic tolerance.

BOARD ORDER NO. 458-2006

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said temporary spacing unit overlaps the 320-acre statewide spacing unit for the Tiller 1-9 well consisting of the NE¼ of Section 9 and the NW¼ of Section 10, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC. TO DESIGNATE THE SW¼ OF SECTION 29 AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 32, T35N-R57E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT TO DRILL AN OIL AND GAS WELL TO TEST THE RED RIVER FORMATION AT AN APPROXIMATE STRUCTURAL INTERCEPT OF 1110' FSL AND 192' FWL OF SAID SECTION 29, WITH A 100-FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION EXCEPT WEST, AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702.

ORDER NO. 459-2006

Docket No. 423-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant has agreed that should the well be successful all proceeds will be held in suspense until a permanent spacing unit is established.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Chesapeake Operating, Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 459-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Tori H. Dorina E. and a Compta	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 460-2006

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CITATION OIL & GAS CORP. TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL RED RIVER "B" FORMATION TEST WELL BY RE-ENTERING THE **GOVERNMENT 34-14 WELL IN THE** TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE E1/2 OF SECTION 14, T9N-R58E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH SAID LATERAL TO BE LOCATED ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT LESS THAN 660 FEET FROM THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE REQUESTED 320-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT OVERLAPS THE EXISTING 160-ACRE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT CONSISTING OF THE SE¹/₄ OF SAID SECTION 14, WHICH IS APPLICABLE TO SILURIAN/ORDOVICIAN PRODUCTION FOR THE PERFORATIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT 34-14 VERTICAL WELLBORE, AND THAT SAID 160-ACRE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT.

Docket No. 428-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Citation Oil & Gas Corporation is authorized to drill a horizontal Red River "B" Formation test well by re-entering the Government 34-14 well in the temporary spacing unit comprised of the E½ of Section 14, T9N-R58E, Fallon County, Montana, with said lateral to be located anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not less than 660 feet from the exterior boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the requested 320-acre temporary spacing unit overlaps the existing 160-acre permanent spacing unit consisting of the SE½ of said Section 14, which is applicable to Silurian/Ordovician production for the perforations in the Government 34-14 vertical wellbore, and that said 160-acre permanent spacing unit shall remain in effect.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

Joan Stahl, Board Member
Wayne Smith, Board Member
Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Jack King, Board Member
Don Bradshaw, Board Member
Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
Linda Nelson, Chairman

UPON THE APPLICATION OF NANCE PETROLEUM CORPORATION TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL RATCLIFFE FORMATION TEST WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE W1/2 OF SECTION 10, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BY RE-ENTERING THE GRANLEY CRUSCH 1-10H WELL, WITH SAID LATERAL TO BE LOCATED NOT LESS THAN 550 FEET FROM THE EAST BOUNDARY AND 660 FEET FROM THE REMAINING BOUNDARIES OF SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE 320-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT IS ONLY APPLICABLE TO PRODUCTION FROM THE RATCLIFFE FORMATION FROM THE PROPOSED GRANLEY CRUSCH 1-10HR WELL.

ORDER NO. 461-2006

Docket No. 429-2006 & 1-2007 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Nance Petroleum Corporation is authorized to drill a horizontal Ratcliffe Formation test well in the temporary spacing unit comprised of the W½ of Section 10, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, by re-entering the Granley Crusch 1-10H well, with said lateral to be located not less than 550 feet from the east boundary and 660 feet from the remaining boundaries of said temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 461-2006

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said 320-acre temporary spacing unit is only applicable to production from the Ratcliffe Formation from the proposed Granley Crusch 1-10HR well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
A TOTAL COT	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo. Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P. TO DRILL AN EAGLE FORMATION GAS WELL (THE GOODBAR #32-3-32-18) AT AN APPROXIMATE LOCATION 680' FNL AND 2360' FWL OF SECTION 32, T32N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS IN BOARD ORDER 11-72. (TIGER RIDGE GAS UNIT) ORDER NO. 462-2006

Docket No. 445-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 462-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF NERDLIHC COMPANY, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ITS BOND SHOULD NOT BE FORFEITED FOR FAILURE TO CLEAN UP THE FUGERE TANK BATTERY SITE LOCATED IN SECTION 30, T34N-R48E, DANIELS COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 463-2006

Docket No. 377-2006

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 14th day of December, 2006 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Crowne Plaza Billings in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Jack King recused himself and took no further part in the proceedings on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Attorney Loren J. O'Toole, II appeared on behalf of Nerdlihc Company, Inc. (Nerdlihc) to request the Board give Nerdlihc until February 1, 2007 to plug the six Fugere wells on its bond.
- 3. Attorney Don Lee, representing Dan Fugere, the son of surface owner Fern Fugere, appeared in person to request the Board order Nerdlihc's bond forfeited.
- 4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the bond of Nerdlihc Company, Inc. is hereby forfeited.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the six Fugere wells on Nerdlihc's bond be placed on the Board's orphan well list and that Board staff determine if emergency clean-up of those well sites is necessary; and if so, begin performing clean-up activities in the summer of 2007.

BOARD ORDER NO. 463-2006

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 14th day of December, 2006.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	Linda Nelson, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	Don Bradshaw, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
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	Wayne Smith, Board Member
	Joan Stahl, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	